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COMPREHENSIVE TEST-BAN TREATY

Letter dated 12 September 1995 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Malaysia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to bring to your attention the attached statement issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Malaysia on 8 September 1995 regarding France's decision to continue nuclear testing (see annex).

I would be grateful if the present letter and the attached statement could be circulated as a document of the General Assembly under item 65 of the provisional agenda.

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ANNEX

Statement on the French nuclear test at Mururoa Atoll, South Pacific, issued on 8 September 1995 by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Malaysia

1. It is with indignation that Malaysia learned that France had proceeded to conduct its nuclear test at Mururoa Atoll in the South Pacific on 6 September 1995 despite worldwide protests and calls for restraint.

2. Malaysia condemns the test and calls on France to desist from carrying out any further test, consistent with the undertaking it had given, along with the other nuclear-weapon States, at the recent Review and Extension Conference of the States Parties to the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (NPT) in New York.

3. Malaysia is opposed to nuclear testing by any nuclear-weapon State and is therefore dismayed at the latest nuclear tests conducted by France and also by China.